June 23, 2018

**Announcement of Solicitation of Expressions of Interest:**
**CASA-1000 POWER TRANSMISSION PROJECT**
**DC OPERATOR CONTRACTING STRATEGY**

**Name of Assignment**: Consulting Services to develop the Operating Strategy for the CASA-1000 HVDC Power Transmission System Comprising HVDC Converter Station Terminals in Tajikistan and Pakistan, along with an HVDC Line from Sangtuda, TJ to Nowshera, PK via Afghanistan.

**RFP Reference No.**: RFP 2018-06-CASA-1000/DCO

**Client**: CASA-1000 IGC Secretariat

**Response Date**: June 30, 2018

The governments of **Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan** have received financing from the World Bank and other IFI’s towards the cost of the **Central Asia-South Asia Electricity Transmission and Trade Project (“CASA”)**. The CASA-1000 Secretariat (provided by Ecodit LLC as part of the Energy Links Project) is currently funded by USAID and acts on behalf of the CASA-1000 project countries providing overall CASA project coordination as well as managing specific aspects of the project, including development of the DC Operator strategy.

The purpose of this RFP will be to engage a consultant to undertake the first two of five phases to evaluate options, develop and ultimately implement the strategy to put in place the appropriate organization, agreements, operating parameters, procedures, documentation, rules and, if necessary, regulations for the operation of the CASA-1000 High Voltage, Direct Current (“HVDC”) system, as defined below.

Additional information may be obtained at [www.casa-1000.org](http://www.casa-1000.org), or by request to [secretariat@casa-1000.org](mailto:secretariat@casa-1000.org), reference RFP 2018-06-CASA-1000/DCO.

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